

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re PATENT APPLICATION of

Kazuhiko Asakawa et al.

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For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHODS OF FABRICATING THE SAME

## RESPONSE TO ELECTION/RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of June 20, 2001, Applicants elect the invention of Species II, Claims 10-14, drawn to a semiconductor device having a fuse element.

The election is without traverse.

Respectfully submitted,

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